

## **Seniors save your junk mail and prevent scams**

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PHOENIX — Seniors throughout Arizona can help Attorney General Terry Goddard find con artists who target older residents through mail solicitations.

Seniors Strike Back is an operation that enlisted senior volunteers from throughout Arizona to save their junk mail. In honor of Older Americans Month, the Attorney General's Office will collect and sort the mail and then take legal actions against companies or people who violate Arizona's consumer protection laws.

The Seniors Strike Back program is a proactive effort to reduce the number of scams being sent by mail, Goddard said. The national Do Not Call list, coupled with e-mail spam blockers, make it more difficult for con artists to separate people from their money. Mail is quickly becoming a preferred tool criminals are using to scam Arizona seniors.

The Attorney General's Office will be holding a sorting event at the Sierra Vista Public Library on May 24 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Volunteers will sort through the junk mail collected and send it to a team of investigators.